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## A Glimpse of Critical Issues Focus: Hunting season 2005

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517.373.1280

**Parks & Recreation**  
517.373.9900

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517.373.1275

**Law Enforcement**  
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**Report All Poaching**  
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## Hunting Safety

Many non-hunters may be surprised to learn that hunting is one of the safest outdoor activities around, but that doesn't happen by accident. It starts with hunting safety. Efforts like hunter education and the use of hunter orange have had a big impact on making the sport safer. In fact, the DNR has reported a significant drop in hunter-related injuries and deaths since mandatory hunter safety classes began.

**Before you head out into Michigan's great outdoors, remember to hunt safety first and keep these basic firearm rules in mind:**

- Always have complete control of your weapon
- Always treat your firearm as if it were loaded
- Before firing, know your target and what is beyond
- Be sure the gun is safe to operate and use only the correct ammunition
- Always unload your weapon before putting it in your vehicle or camp
- And, **NEVER** mix hunting and alcohol

### Free Hunting Guides Available

Visit the DNR online at [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr) to access the 2005-06 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide. Along with rules and regulations, the guide contains information on changes in the law, hunting season, wildlife diseases, hunting with disabilities and more. Access specialty hunting guides for antler-less deer, fall wild turkey and elk online as well. You can also get a printed copy from your local license agent.

